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SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessel	Tons	H.P.	Captain.	FRIDAY.
— Gwalior	2735	500	F. Harris	3rd Oct.
L. Indus	3462	600	W. E. Bretz	10th ,,
M. Hydaspes	2384	500	G. Scrivener	17th ,,
L. Rome	5013	1000	G. F. Cates	24th ,,
— Widnin	2726	500	G. W. Atkinson	31st ,,
L. Shannon	4148	800	J. S. Murray	7th Nov.
M. Assam	3038	500	S. F. Cole	14th ,,
L. Calabar	2881	500	T. Pitcrlough	21st ,,
— Lombardy	2726	500	W. E. Thompson	28th ,,

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta, and those marked M via Marseilles. By the direct passengers for London change vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon, at 3 p.m. on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessel.	Tons. H.P.	Captains.	On 1884.
MALWA	2350 500	A.W. Adamson	2rd Oct.
ROSETTA	3302 700	G. W. Brady	17th ,,
MASSILIA	4911 1000	S. D. Shallard	31st ,,
SUTLEJ	4194 800	A. H. Johnson	14th Nov.

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

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Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Company.

Bombay, Sept. 24, 1884.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

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Bombay, Sept. 1, 1884.

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The following or other First Class Steamers will leave Bombay:—

	Tons. H.P.	
RAFFAELE RUBATTINO	5,000 850	on Wednesday, 1st Oct.
MANILLA	5,000 750	on Saturday, 1st Nov.
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Bombay, 20th June, 1884.

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Name.	Tons.	H.P.	Comdr.	Sailing about
s.s. VICTORIA	3230	450	Wm. Russell	3rd Oct.
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s.s. BELGRAVIA	5000	1000	D. C. Boothby	15th Nov.
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White			3 0
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A. F. SIMPSON,
ACTING AGENT.

Bombay, 20th September, 1884.

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Ditto	at 8	ditto	ditto	...	...
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Ditto	at 6	ditto	ditto	...	...
Ditto	at 8	ditto	ditto	...	...
Ditto	at 10	ditto	ditto	...	...
Ditto	at 12	ditto	ditto	...	...

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THE "CANTANT[illegible]ONANTE COTTAGE" PIANOFORTE.
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By order of the Directors,
GADDUM, BYTHELL & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 27th September, 1884.

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By order of the Board,
MORARJEE GOCULDASS & Co.,
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TEMPLE BAR.—TOM SAYERS, Bombay BREAKFASTS, TIFFINS, DINNERS.

WANTED, a good CARD and MULE FITTER for two or three months. Address, "Fitter," *Bombay Gazette*.

BEST ALBUMENIZED PAPER, in hermetically sealed tin cylinders of 1 quire each. Rs. 4-8 per quire.

JOHN ROBERTS & Co., Bombay, were the only firm who obtained a Prize Medal for Billiard Balls at the Calcutta Exhibition.

NEW TWEEDS, NEW ANGOLAS, cheap suits. Samples post free.—JOHN MAHOMED & Co., 16, Meadow-street, Bombay.

KIDD and SHADBOLT'S WHISKY is rapidly becoming the most popular brand in Bombay. Rs. 25 per doz. Importers, PHIPSON & Co.

CHORAL FESTIVAL, St. Thomas' Cathedral, Monday, September 29, 6 p.m. Books of Words and Music to be had at SOUNDY & Co.'s. 8 as. each.

CHIANTI WINE.—Just landed a small consignment of real Italian Chianti wine in half flasks.—INZOLI BROTHERS, No. 5, Hornby Row, Fort.

SPECIALITIES !—Just arrived new Tweeds. new Angola, all wool, thoroughly shrunk, from Rs. 20 per suit Jeejeebhoy Khyraz & Co., 13, Meadow-street.

[illegible] Hotel, Apollo Harbour. S[illegible]o House at specious Rooms on [illegible]ily low rates.

[illegible]s. per skein in every [illegible]so, an extensive stock [illegible], Limited.

[illegible]reen seal, established [illegible]doz.; quarts, Rs. 30 [illegible]art, Latham & Co.

[illegible]OMBAY and [illegible] Price, Rs. 5: *Bombay Gazette*

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[illegible] Rs. 22-8, un[illegible] patterns to [illegible]g Kit Ware.

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[illegible]nd Coffee [illegible]s for cash [illegible]ombay.

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[illegible]ment Tenders [illegible]on LEASE for [illegible]ernment vacant [illegible] of buildings to be [illegible]ease and condi[illegible]n at the Office of the [illegible]ored "Tender for [illegible]odshouse Bridge at [illegible] of the Collector of [illegible]tober, 1884. [illegible]rnest money should [illegible] will be forfeited in [illegible]ed the tenderer shall [illegible]reement for the lease, [illegible]ill rest with the Govern[illegible] the right to reject all [illegible]ven for the acceptance or

W. B. MULOCK,
Acting Collector.

23rd July, 1884.

[illegible]TICE.
[illegible]OF HIRDAS.
[illegible]nvited for the purchase of [illegible]AN or HIRDA collection of the [illegible]sts for the season 1883-85 which is

IN BELGAUM.

[illegible]ka	4,000
[illegible]	1,400
Total	5,400 khandis of 560 lbs. each.

IN KANARA.

Division of Kanara	2,950
[illegible]Division of Kanara	150
[illegible]n Division of Kanara	1,700
Total	4,100 khandis of 560 lbs. each.

[illegible]o offer under Rs. (9) nine per khandi for the [illegible]a crop if delivered at the depots on the roads[illegible] forests, or Rs. (12) twelve if delivered at the Kadra, [illegible]ta and Honawar bundars, will be accepted.

The Khanapur and Belgaum Hirdas will only be [illegible]vered at the depots in the forests; but no tender of [illegible] than Rs. (9) nine for the former and Rs. (11) eleven. [illegible] the latter will be accepted.

[illegible]. For further particulars and terms of sale apply to [illegible]he undersigned between the date of this publication and the 10th October, 1884.

W. PEYTON, Colonel,
Conservator of Forests, S. C.

Conservator's Office S. C., Yellapur, 28th August, 1884.

SALES BY AUCTION.

[illegible]ENESSE AND COMPANY.

[illegible]THURSDAY, the 2nd October, Messrs. MENESSE [illegible]o. will hold their usual weekly auction sale at their [illegible] of a quantity of grey and colored piece-goods, twist,

[illegible]cases Bobbins of various sorts.
[illegible] " Australian jams.
[illegible]boxes brandy.
[illegible] " keelings bar soap.
[illegible]cases sarries.
[illegible] " fancy prints.
[illegible] " colored muslins.
[illegible]ales grey piece-goods.

MENESSE & CO.

[illegible]ay, 29th September, 1884.

SALES BY AUCTION.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
41, MEADOW-STREET, BOMBAY.

AUCTION SALE OF 50 BALES OF TWIST.

By order of Shaw Jathabhoy Muganlal and on account and at the risk of the first purchaser Khoja Hassum Purdhan, Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their room No. 41, Meadow-street,

TO-MORROW, TUESAY, the 30th inst., the sale to commence at 2 p.m. as follows:—

50 Bales, each containing 400 lbs. Dhurumsee (Coorla) Spinning Co.'s Twist No. 20.

Terms—A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and remainder to be paid the next day.

AUCTION SALE of an Invoice of Toughen Glassware and Austrian Bentwood Furniture and several Consignments of Wine and Spirits.

Under instructions from the consignee and on account and risk of whom it may concern, Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms (No. 41 Meadow Street) on SATURDAY, the 4th October, the sale to commence at 2 p.m., precisely.

A large consignment of 45 cases of Toughen glass plain and light sods, ½ and ¼ pint tumblers, finger bowls, ship tumblers and lamp glasses.

Also, an Invoice of Austrian Bentwood very strong and light chairs of various elegant designs and colour and are suitable for drawing, dining and bed room; children's high chairs changeable into carriages, rocking chairs, revolving office chairs, &c.

A choice assortment of Thomas Hardy's wines consisting of Angaston sherry, Oomoo claret, Auldana cup-(breakfast claret) Reisling.

A lot of J. de Bruijn and Zoon of Rotterdam claret, Orange Curacao, Boonekemp bitters.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.

Bombay, 29th September, 1884.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON AND COMPANY.
No. 4, FORBES AND MEADOW-STREETS.

SALE OF FIREWOOD.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTONE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Gunpowder Bunders, Mazagon by order of C.A. Tinde, Esq., Official Assignee H. C. and *in re* Dorabjee Jewajee Chocksey, an insolvent, a quantity of firewood.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

Sale of valuable and handsome drawing, dining and bedroom furniture, splendid piano (Soundy & Co.), full-sized slate billiard table, complete, by Roberts, inlaid ornamental cabinet, rich pictures, valuable law books, plateglass and porcelain ware, copper utensils, English meat safe, choice plants and ferns, handsome (new) brougham, &c., &c.

TO-MORROW TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 1-30 p.m., Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by public auction, at No. 48 (near the Gloria Church), Mazagon, the whole of the above property of Thomas Lidbetter, Esq.

Catalogues are published and the property on view.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.

Bombay, 29th September, 1884.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 3, APOLLO-STREET.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 29th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Mount-road, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved french-polished household furniture made to order, best electroplated wares, very rich crockery and glassware, a first-rate nearly new mahogany full-size slate billiard table by John Roberts and Co. with balls, cues, lamps, &c. complete, first-rate pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, &c., &c. &c., the property of JOHN G. RUSSELL, Esq. The same comprises rich star-cut glassware, handsome dinner, dessert and tea services, best plated ware such as ice-pitchers, cruetstand, tea set, epergne salver, a set of spoons and forks for 12 persons, cutlery, &c., handsome blackwood and teakwood Wimbridge-made plain and carved French-polished household furniture such as telescopic dining table in six pieces, sideboard, whatnot, one very handsome Wimbridge-made teakwood and satinwood inlaid sideboard with mirror back and drawer, handsome circular, pier, side, card and writing tables, easy, folding, reclining, long-arm and drawing-room chairs, settees, ornament stands, bookstands, teapoys, handsome wall toilet stands with mirror, a handsome mahogany full-size slate billiard table by John Roberts and Co., with balls, cues, lamps, &c., nearly new, dining-room, arm and without arm chairs, handsome iron four-post bedstead with spring and coir mattresses, one very handsome teak-wood Frenchpolished, Wimbridge-made inlaid almira, with plate glassdoor in the centre and side wings, plate glass-door almira, handsome Wimbridge-made dressing and washing tables with marble top, dressing tables with glass attached, dressing glasses, chest of drawers, clothes presses, dispense articles, cooking utensils, &c., &c.

Catalogues are published and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF PIECE-GOODS.

TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 3 p. m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by public auction, at their rooms by order of the concerned and on account and risk of Tricamdas Damodhur.

G—1, 2858—H 1309–16— 1 bale grey shirting ex s.s. Nubia.
do. H 1313-1316— 3 " " ex s.s. Persia.
do. H 1297-1312—16 " " ex s.s. Werneth Hall

On account of the concerned.
5 cases Italian cloth.

AUCTION SALE of Sweepings, old Wood, Iron, &c., at the Prince's Dock.

Under instructions from the Superintendent Prince's Dock, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 1st proximo, at 1 p.m. at the abovementioned place

A quantity of sweepings, old wood and iron, &c. &c.

On SATURDAY, the 4th proximo, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction the bungalow, lately occupied by Mr. [illegible] Chinchpogly, Parell-road, a little far from Rahim Aloo and Western S. and W. mills, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood French-polished and the New Great [illegible] and teakwood French-polished and handsome blackwood [illegible], plated ware, glass and crockery [illegible] carved household furniture, hanging argand lamps, six light [illegible] ware, 1, 2, 5, 6 and 10 light hall shades, large pier glasses in chandeliers, double light [illegible], marble inlaid round gilt frames, large marble elegant [illegible] table on gilt stands, a first-rate fireproof safe, globe [illegible] large size oleographs in gilt frames, mechanical toys, large [illegible] carpets, brass and iron bedsteads, rich flower vases, &c., of which full particulars will appear hereafter. The property will be on view four days before the sale.

On WEDNESDAY, the 8th proximo, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the "Wilderness," Malabar Hill, next to Mr. Dinshaw Manockjee Petit's bungalow, the valuable and handsome plain and carved blackwood and teakwood french-polished household furniture, best plated ware, very rich crockery and glassware, a handsome mahogany grand square pianoforte, by Schiedmayer and Soehne, a first-rate mahogany slate miniature billiard table by Thurston, with balls, cues, lamps, &c., complete, handsome large pier glasses in gilt frames, handsome large marble table, 1, 2, 3, 6, and 12 lights hanging and wall argand lamps, first-rate steam-engraved and other chromolithographs, rich Brussels and velvet carpets, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, one handsome strong Calcutta-built buggy in very good order, one strong Calcutta mail-phaeton, one handsome strong powerful chesnut Hungarian horse, broken to single and double harness, sets of plated mounted English double harness, &c., &c., &c., the property of Nusserwanjee Ruttonjee Tata, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property on view four days before the sale.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, 29th September, 1884.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
7, MARINE-STREET, BOMBAY.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On WEDNESDAY, 1st October, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—

10 bales grey shirtings.
5 " " dhotics.
10 cases prints.
35 boxes champagne in quarts and pints.
40 doz., champagne, moselle and hockin, quarts and pints.
1 double-barrelled central-fire gun in case by T. Brand and Sons.

On account and at the risk of Abdoolally Dawoodkhan—
C—1116—1 bale 300 lbs. twist, ex California.
1117—1 " 300 lbs. " ex Hispania.

On account and at the risk of Damoder Narronjee—
A B C—3062-67—6 cases prints, ex Inchcliatha.

On account and at the risk of Hurjeewun Mooljee—
W M B—41—1 case white nensooks, ex India.

On SATURDAY, the 4th October, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by public auction at Winter-road, Malabar Hill, the valuable and handsome french-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a sweet-toned mahogany square pianoforte by Schiedmayer and Soehne, first-rate pictures, rich table ornaments, superior real China flower vases and jars, &c., the property of G. H. FARRAN, Esq.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

On SATURDAY, the 4th October, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 12, Apollo-street, opposite the Share Bazaar, several newly arrived consignments of English and Continental goods consisting of perfumery and soaps, toys, handsomely painted flower pots, superior porcelain, dessert, toilet and tea services, superior China cups and saucers, tea services, breakfast services, cheese stands, cruet and egg stands, sardine and biscuit boxes, hall lamps, scent bottles, Bohemian glassware, first-rate oleographs in gilt frames, tea trays, Brussels and velvet carpet rugs, tin toys, fancy goods, kerosine-oil stoves of sizes, table and hanging lamps, electroplated table spoons, star and fern pattern and other goods too numerous to mention.

On SATURDAY, the 11th October, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Eddington House, Mazagon, opposite Hamilton House, the valuable and handsome french-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a handsome English-built nearly new boat-shaped open carriage by Lowell, a handsome grey Arab horse 5 years old, going fast, very quiet, and a set of English plated mounted single harness, rich table ornaments, handsome flower vases, pictures, table and hanging lamps, &c., the property of Captain W. E. HUTCHINSON.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

On SATURDAY, the 11th October and the following days, sale commencing at 1 p.m. each day, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Byculla, opposite Messrs. Richardson and Cruddas's Metal Mart, the valuable stock-in-trade of Mr. Somjee Parpia, consisting of carved and plain Frenchpolished blackwood and teakwood and English-made mahogany and walnutwood household furniture, best electroplated ware by Elkington and other makers, handsome dinner, dessert and breakfast services, rich cut glassware of various patterns, very handsome 6, 8, 10, 12 and 18 light chandeliers, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 light hanging argand lamps by Tucker and other makers, kerosine-oil hanging and table lamps, 5 and 7 light glass-stem candelabra, rich table ornaments, handsome flower vases and pots, rolls of superior Brussel's and velvet carpets, handsome pier glasses in gilt frames, English-built carriages, sets of English-made plated mounted single and double and four-in-hand harness &c., &c.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 29th September, 1884.

DON'T DIE IN THE HOUSE.

"ROUGH ON RATS" clears out Rats, Mice, Beetles, Roaches, Bed-bugs, Flies, Ants, Insects, Moles, Chipmunks, Gophers.—Cooper Madon & Co., Bombay, Sole Agents.

NOTICES.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.
NOTICE.
RESUMPTION OF THROUGH BOOKING.

THE line having been REPAIRED TRAFFIC of every description is now being CONVEYED THROUGH as usual.

J. R. DUXBURY,
Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 27th September, 1884.

FOR SALE, a set of APPARATUS for the ANALYSIS OF WATER (without the Chemical Balance), Rs. 55 net. Apply to
FERNANDES & Co., Chemists, &c., Bombay.

BEST INVALID PORT.—This wine is carefully selected and guaranteed as of excellent quality and very highly recommended by medical practitioners for invalids and convalescents. Price Rs. 27 per case of one dozen quarts.
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NOW READY.

NOTES of CASES on the CODE of CIVIL PROCEDURE, with a full Index and copy of the Code. By L. P. DELVES BROUGHTON. Price Rs. 16.
Apply to BABU NEERUNJUN BANNERJEE,
3, Outram-street, Calcutta.

NEW RERAR COMPANY, Limited.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of GUNNIES to the Company's Factories at Khamgaum, Oomrawatti, Akote and Wudwan. Applications to be made in writing to
GADDUM, BYTHELL & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 25th Sept., 1884.

VICTORIA HOTEL,
THE ESPLANADE, BOMBAY,
Opposite the Polo and Cricket Ground and next the Gymkhana,
With a splendid view of the Sea and Malabar Hill.

THIS Hotel has been lately enlarged and contains first-class accommodation for Visitors and Boarders. Comfort, Cleanliness and Civility.
TERMS MODERATE.
The Hotel being a detached building possesses every advantage.

TAYLOR'S COLABA HOTEL, BOMBAY,

IS situated in a healthy position on the seashore, west of the Island, and is open all round to the sea breeze. It has the advantages of being far away from the noise and confusion of the Traffic of the Town, while it is within five minutes' drive by rail, car, or carriage of all the business places; and within five minutes' walk of the Swimming Bath.

The Hotel stands in its own grounds, surrounded by a garden.

TERMS MODERATE.
Proprietress, Mrs. TAYLOR.

ANGLO-INDIAN SPINNING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of Rs. 2 per share has been declared for the six months ending 30th June, 1884 (making for the whole year 7 per cent.), and will be paid on and after the 6th October to those shareholders whose names appear on the Register on 29th September, on production of share certificates.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 29th September to 6th October, both days inclusive.

By order of the Local Committee,
P. PEARSON,
Secretary in Bombay.

41, Rampart Row, Bombay, 25th Sept., 1884.

CAWNPORE WOOLLEN MILLS AND ARMY CLOTH MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Limited.
SOLE CONTRACTORS TO H. M. GOVERNMENT IN INDIA FOR THE SUPPLY OF BLANKETS TO BRITISH TROOPS.

THE Company having at a great cost perfected its machinery for the manufacture of Broad cloths, Serges, great coatings and fabrics of a similar nature, is now in a position to register orders for these goods. The cloths manufactured by this Company are warranted to be of pure wool throughout, and for cheapness, durability and finish will be found unsurpassed.

Price Lists and Samples may be had on application to
THE MANAGER.

A GENTLEMAN with several years' Indian journalistic experience is open to an engagement, either to undertake the entire conduct of any journal or as Joint, Assistant, or Sub-editor.

No objection to take up the management or superintendence of any Press or News Office. Advertiser understands thoroughly the minutiæ of every department of a Printing Office and carries with him a good business connection. First-class references. Address "A. Z," care of General Post Office, Calcutta.

SAFETY BLASTING POWDER Co., Limited OF LONDON.

THE undersigned having been APPOINTED AGENT for the above Company, invites Mining Engineers, Railways, Public Works Departments, Contractors and all others who now use ordinary BLASTING POWDER or DYNAMITE, to try this New Powder, which, from absolute immunity from danger in storage, use its great dynamical influence and other advantages already commands a large sale in Europe, America and other parts of the world. Testimonials and other particulars will be supplied on application.

JOSEPH SOARES, Agent,
33, Elphinstone Circle.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST DOCK EXTENSION.

TENDERS are invited for the MASONRY and EXCAVATION of a WET DOCK of about 25 acres to be constructed on a site to the southward of the Prince's Dock, Bombay. The sea entrance and a 7,750 lineal feet of wharf walls, at Prince's Dock. Plans, passage communicating with the Prince's Dock. Plans, conditions of contract, specification and Bombay may be seen at the office of the Engineer-in-Chief and after Port Trust, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, [illegible] available, the 27th August, 1884, and copies of the same, may be obtained on payment of Rs. 120.

Sealed Tenders endorsed "Tender for contract No. 1 Masonry and Excavation, Dock Extension," addressed and lodged with the Secretary to the Bombay Port Trust, Bombay at or before noon of the 15th day of November, 1884. No pledge is given that the lowest or any Tender will be accepted.

G. MANSON,
Secretary.

25th of August, 1884.

POSTAL NOTICE.

FROM 1st October, 1884, a CHANGE will be made in the form of application for inland MONEY ORDERS, and a COUPON, or SLIP, will be attached to each, which will be delivered with the money order to the payee without extra charge. The object of the coupon is to enable a remitter to write to the payee the purpose for which the money order is sent, or any other message he pleases. The coupon will be retained by the payee.

2. Forms can be obtained gratis at the Post Office as before. The remitter will have, as at present, to fill in the amount of the order, the payee's name and address and his own name and address on the receipt and acknowledgment. Remitters will continue to receive acknowledgments for their money orders signed by the payee.

3. Remitters must fill in the side of the form printed in black. The reverse printed in red ink is to be filled in by the Post Office only.

A. U. FANSHAWE,
Offg. Director-General of the Post Office of India.
Simla, the 25th September, 1884.

THE BHOWNUGGUR COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the registered office of the Company, No. 7, Hummum-street, Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 4th day of October, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1st. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and audited Accounts made up to 31st December, 1883.

2nd. To elect Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.

3rd. To elect Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

4th. To transact any other business that the Chairman may bring before the meeting.

By order of the Board,
R. HYDE CHESTHAM & Co.,
Secretaries.

7, Hummum-street, Bombay, 25th Sept. 1884.

IN RE BEJANJI FRAMJI and PALANJI FRAMJI, lately carrying on business as General Merchants in Bombay under the name and firm of PALANJI FRAMJI, and in China, under the name and firm of BEJANJI FRAMJI.

WHEREAS by a DEED of COMPOSITION, dated the 22nd day of June, 1884, and made between the said Palanji Framji and Bejanji Framji (the latter then and now in Hongkong in China) of the first part; Nathooram Joravarmul, Hajarilal Mooltanchand, Sorabji Nusserwanji Talati, Byramji Hirjibhoy Bhalnagarwala, Dinshaw Framji Dalal, of the second part; and the said Nathooram Joravarmul, Sorabjee Nusserwanjee Talati, Byramji Hirjibhoy Bhalnagarwala, and Shapurji Framji Dalal, and the several persons and firms who have set their respective hands and seals in the second column of the schedule thereunder written, being respectively creditors of the said Palanji Framji and Bejanji Framji, of the third part; for the considerations therein mentioned the said Bejanji Framji and Palanji Framji have in substance and effect assigned into the said parties of the second part as trustees of the said Indenture all the stock-in-trade, goods, monies, securities for money credits, and other the estate and effects of the said Bejanji Framji and Palanji Framji (except their wearing apparel) TO HOLD the same upon the trust and subject to the terms and conditions in the said Indenture set forth for the benefit of the general body of creditors who shall sign, seal, and deliver the said Deed or a duplicate thereof within six months from the date thereof;—And whereas the said Deed has since its first execution been signed by a large majority of creditors in number and value of the said Estate;—And whereas the said trustees will on and after the 1st day of October next proceed to investigate the claims against the said estate.—Now it is hereby notified that such of the creditors of the said estate as have not yet executed the said deed and who desire to share in the distribution of the said estate are required to attend at the office of the undersigned on or before the 5th day of November next, at No. 7, Rampart-row, Fort, and to execute the said deed either in person or by duly constituted attorney if otherwise the trustees will proceed with the winding up of the estate without reference to the claims of such non-executing creditors. The creditors of the above estate are also hereby required within the aforesaid time to send in their claims with all proofs and evidences in support thereof to the undersigned at their above office or to the said trustees at Bazaar Gate-street, Fort. On or after the said 5th day of November next the said trustees will declare a first dividend on all admitted claims.—Dated this 5th day of September, 1884.

ARDESIR AND HORMASJEE,
Solicitors, High Court.

WELLS' "ROUGH ON CORNS."
Ask for Wells' "Rough on Corns." Quick relief complete, permanent cure. Corns, warts, bunions.—Cooper, Madon & Co., Bombay, Sole Agents.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Cricket, Calcutta vs. Bombay, 10-30 a. m.
Lawn Tennis, Calcutta vs Bombay, 1-30 p.m.
Choral Festival, Cathedral, 6 p. m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived on the 27th:—Nowshera (s), and Swordsman (s), from Sea; Henry Balckow (s), Bussorah; Wilhelmine, Natal; and Sumatra (s), Hongkong. Yesterday:—Inchmaree (s), from Newport.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed on the 27th:—Nowshera (s), for Calcutta, &c.; Friary (s), Kurrachee; Clan Maclean (s), Bordeaux; and Waverley (s), Hull. Yesterday:—Medusa (s), for China, &c.

THEFT BY A SERVANT.—Kushalchund Ootumchund, a dealer in pearls, living at Marwarree Bazaar, reported to the police on Friday that a servant of his had absconded with 99 pearls, valued at Rs. 200. A search is being made for the accused.

PUT BACK FROM SEA.—The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Nowshera, Captain A. Sanders, which sailed for coast and Calcutta on the 25th inst. with a general cargo and 26 deck passengers, put back from sea on Saturday, on account of injury to her machinery. She sailed again the same evening. His Highness the Sultan of Zanzibar's steamer Swordsman, Captain C. Hagelstein, bound for Calcutta, also put back on Saturday evening for the same reason.

EXTENSIVE THEFT.—Chandkhan Rajekhan, a Mahomedan, was charged on Saturday before Mr. C. P. Cooper, at the Fort Police Court, with housebreaking and theft of jewels and cash worth Rs. 10,000, the property of a merchant named Babu Motee Singh, living in Hyderabad. Narayen Pursad, a jemadar in the Nizam's police, arrested accused in this city from certain information he had received. Two men named Yenkhi and Amir Khan were arrested at Hyderabad in connection with the theft, and on their information the jemadar searched the prisoner's house there, finding a bag containing Rs. 1,380, which was identified by the complainant as part of the money stolen from him. The prisoner's wife also gave the police some information, and a warrant was issued for his arrest. Mr. Cooper ordered him to be sent back to Hyderabad. A reward of Rs. 400 had been offered for the arrest of the thief.

FATAL ACCIDENTS.—A coroner's inquest was held on Saturday, at the J. J. Hospital, on the body of Dhondi Satwa, aged 29 years. Deceased was a labourer employed at a quarry in Nowrojee Hill. On the 9th inst. he sustained a severe wound on the knee by an accidental fall in the quarry. He died subsequently from his injuries. A verdict to this effect was recorded.—Another inquest was held, at the European General Hospital, on the body of William F. Blowers, aged 17½ years. Deceased was a boy on board H. M. S. Briton, lying in the Duncan Dock. Between 8 and 9 a.m. on that day he was standing on the combings of the lower deck hatch and bearing off some iron tanks that were being hoisted up the hold of the vessel. As they were passing the hatch-way one of the tanks struck him, and he fell into the hold, with his head on the edge of one of the tanks. He then slewed over and fell another six feet on an iron girder on his side. He was picked up unconscious, with a small scar on the left cheek-bone, and was at once removed to the European General Hospital, where he remained unconscious until his death shortly after. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

CHARGE OF ASSAULTING A MOBED.

ON Saturday, at the Fort Police Court, Dinshaw Rustomjee Bazaarwalla and his son Cursetjee Dinshawjee were charged before Mr. C. P. Cooper with assaulting Cowasjee Hozdar, a mobed of the Idawalla's Agiary, at Dhobie Talao, on the 15th August. Mr. Russell appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Sorabjee for the defence.

Mr. Russell said that the accused were charged with grievous hurt, and the evidence would leave no room for doubt that the complainant was incapacitated and unable to attend to his ordinary duties for a period extending over twenty-two days. Dr. Easdon would be able to say that the complainant was admitted into hospital on the 18th August, and did not leave till the 7th September. The complainant was sitting outside his agiary on the evening of the 15th August, when the second accused came up and used abusive language towards the mobeds in general and the complainant in particular. He was told to go away, and he did so; but a short time afterwards he returned with the elder accused, his father. A discussion ensued between the parties, and the result of it was that the accused assaulted the complainant severely. Apparently the son began the assault, and the father followed it up. The complainant was knocked down, and his ribs were broken.

Mr. Charles Easdon, House Surgeon of the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, said that Nowrojee Cowasjee had been admitted into hospital on the 18th August. He had examined him and found that he had two ribs on the left side fractured. The complainant was discharged cured on the 7th September. The fracture could have been caused by a fall.

The complainant, who looked very unwell, and was allowed a chair in the witness-box, said that he was 55 years of age. He had received a severe blow in the side, and had heard at the time a creaking noise in the side and felt much pain there.

At this stage the case was adjourned to Thursday.

THE ACCIDENT IN THE HARBOUR.

RECOVERY OF FOUR OF THE BODIES.

AN inquest was opened on Saturday by Dr. Blaney, the Coroner, at the Morgue, Cammateepoora, on the bodies of William Sidney and James H. Freeman, aged 25 and 29 years respectively. The deceased were seamen of the British ship County of Peebles, and belonged to the party of eight seamen who were on the evening of the 25th instant being conveyed in a Kurrachee passenger boat from Mody Bay-tunder to their vessel in charge of Constable Reading. On their way to the vessel, the boat capsized, and Constable Reading and five seamen were drowned, the other [illegible] crew of the boat [illegible] rescued. The two bodies were picked up on being [illegible] near the spot where the accident occurred, by the [illegible] having been informed of the matter, had the [illegible] bodies removed to the Morgue.

The following evidence was recorded:—

James Joliff, an able seaman of the County of Peebles, identified one of the bodies as that of James H. Freeman, who was an ordinary seaman on board his ship. His age was about 27 years. [illegible] and seven inst., about 7 a.m., the deceased, witness, [illegible] of Correction, other seamen of his ship left the House [illegible] having been imprisoned for 14 days. They all went to the Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court, where [illegible] remained until the afternoon. The magistrate [illegible] dered them to return to their ship. They told him they had no money to pay for a boat, when he said he would send a policeman with them, who would take them on board, and he directed Police Constable Reading accordingly. It was raining heavily at the time, and Constable Reading asked them to wait to see if it would hold up. The rain did not cease, so he asked them to go along. It was then about 4 or 4-30 p. m., and they went with him on foot to Mody Bay, where he met a cooly, who informed him that their captain was on shore. Constable Reading asked them to wait there, while he went in search of the captain. In about five minutes their captain and the constable came there. All the men told the captain they were not going on board the ship, and wanted their discharge. The captain said they must go on board, and must get into the boat. Constable Reading also told them that they must go on board, as they were sent by the magistrate. The cooly told them that if they had anything to say they should make their complaint on board of the ship. They then went right away into a shore boat that was engaged by Constable Reading at the bunder. The boat was about 8 or 9 tons, and was empty. It had one mast and a lateen sail. The crew of the boat consisted of about four natives. Witness could not say whether the boat had any ballast. Witness, the deceased, six of their shipmates, and Constable Reading all got into the boat. The sail was hoisted, and they went into the harbour towards their ship. The boat was sailing on the port tack, and one of the boatmen was steering with a tiller. The sheet was made fast to a cleet abaft of the steersman, and there was nobody there to look after it except the steersman. The boat was on the wind, sailing about two points free. The wind was blowing strongly from the north-west, and was steady, but now and again it was puffy. There was a heavy swell rolling up the harbour, and the boat was taking in water over the beam, but not so much as to require bailing. Five of his shipmates were standing in the boat about amidships. Constable Reading, Scott, Sidney, and Peter Chevalier were seated in the after thwart under the awning. The awning was tarpaulin, and was laced down to the gunwales of the boat tightly on both sides. They went along singing, and passed astern of the steamship Henzada. He and one of the boatmen were forward, just abaft the mast, the boatman being on a line with it, when suddenly a puff of wind came and both the tack and sheet got adrift. How they got adrift he did not know. Three or four of the boatmen rushed to leeward to take hold of the sail, and three of his shipmates were also standing to leeward at the same time, when a heavy sea came over the lee beam, and was immediately followed by another. The boat went over and sunk on her broadside, throwing them all into the sea. Witness caught hold of two pieces of board which floated out of the bottom of the boat, and supported himself on them, until he was picked up by a boat from the Pythomene. He did not know what became of the deceased. There was no quarrel on board of the boat, and not a drop of liquor. The boat was swamped about 5 p. m. One of the boat's crew, a boy, was sitting on the forward thwart to which the tack was made fast. Witness did not see him touch the tack. The sea was running south-west, and the wind was north-west. The boat rolled very much. The tide was on the ebb.

Peter Chevalier, an able seaman of the County of Peebles, was next examined. He identified the other body as that of William Smith. His evidence corroborated the statement made by the last witness in every material point.

Francis Barrett, an able seaman of the ship, who was in the boat, said they had just passed astern of the s. s. Henzada, when he saw the boatman present, and who said his name was Ahmed Ismail, let

have ordered out from England a Nasmyth Wilson patent compound press with the necessary machinery, and hope the factory will be ready for work at the opening of the season for new cotton.

The report being adopted, resolutions were passed, declaring a dividend of Rs. 10 per share and transferring a sum of Rs. 48,000 to the reserve fund and carrying a sum of Rs. 5,591-7 to the profit and loss account, re-electing Mr. Thackersey Naranji as director, re-appointing Messrs. Palonjee Framjee Mehta and Hirjee A. Khambatta auditors of the company with a remuneration of Rs. 200 each, and directing that the fee to be paid to each director for each meeting he attends be Rs. 30. The following resolution was also passed :—"That the resolution passed at the meeting of 30th August be amended by striking out the second and third paragraphs and inserting in lieu thereof the following :—"That the directors be authorized to sell and dispose of the new issue of shares in such amounts and as when they think fit, and that the premiums to be obtained on such sales be carried to the credit of the reserve fund of the company." The meeting which was very well attended, concluded with the usual vote of thanks to all the office-bearers of the company.

THE FACTORY COMMISSION.

ANOTHER sitting of the Commission was held at the Secretariat on Saturday last, when there were present Mr. W. B. Mulock, C.S., president; Mr. George Cotton, Mr. Muncherjee N. Banajee, Mr. Sorabjee S. Bengalee, C.I.E., Mr. Nanabhoy Byramjee Jeejeebhoy, and Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, A.M.I.C.E.

The president inquired how many witnesses were ready to be called during the day.

The clerk to the secretary, in the absence of Mr. Jones, the secretary, said that Mr. A. N. Wadia was the only witness ready for examination; that others had been asked, but had declined to attend that day owing to different reasons, among them being Messrs. Chuggonlal Morlidkar, Parkington, Tapidas Vurjdas, Benjamin Moseley, and N. M. Petit.

The president.—How many more witnesses are to be called?

The clerk.—Mr. Cursondas Vullubhdas and six or seven others.

Mr. Cotton.—Don't you think we ought to ascertain the number of witnesses to be called. Thanks to Mr. Wadia, Mr. Hamet, and one or two others, we have had a very representative body of witnesses; and we might have six or seven more. After Mr. Petit, after Mr. Wadia's evidence is over, how many more witnesses should now be called.

Mr. Nanabhoy Byramjee.—We must have some of the mill owners themselves. Mr. N. M. Petit's evidence would be very valuable; and if the president requests him by letter, he might be induced to come.

The president.—We will call him on Monday.

Mr. Nowrojee Nusserwanjee Wadia, manager of the Sasoon Petit and other mills, in continuation of his evidence, said :—A majority of millhands, after earning money for two or three years, go to their villages, purchase lands, and after the lapse of a few months, return to resume their employment in Bombay, giving charge of their property in the hands of their relations for cultivation. I think legislative protection should be extended to women and children; and I would let them work from daylight until dark. These restrictions I would not apply to men.

Mr. Cotton.—There are no restrictions in England, and men work twenty-four hours a day. There is no restriction whatever on the men, of any kind or sort whatever.

Mr. Nanabhoy Byramjee.—A restriction regarding men will affect the Ice Company, because they are working day and night.

Mr. Gaha.—In my opinion, it would be to the advantage of the workpeople to work from sunrise to sunset. I do not mean my remarks to apply to places of business or factories where male adults only are employed. I would place no more restrictions here than there are in England. There are no restrictions placed on men in England. The majority of mill-hands, after working here for some time, go to their villages and purchase lands.

Mr. Sorabjee.—You know some 40,000 mill-hands are employed here; and when you say the majority of them, do you mean to say that about 30,000 go to their villages and purchase lands?

Wadia.—I mean the majority who have saved money.

Mr. Sorabjee.—That makes a great difference.

Mr. Wadia.—I mean to say that an average of mill-hands who save money invest them in lands.

Mr. Sorabjee.—Your answer is likely to mislead. Do you say 20,000 mill-hands make money and invest it in land?

Mr. Wadia.—I do not confine myself to figures. In my opinion, the larger number of mill-hands invest their money in land. It is not found advisable to employ women in the inner departments of the mills in Bombay; they are more or less confined to reeling, winding, and cotton-picking. The hours of attendance at the majority of the mills is from 7-30 a.m. to 5-30 p.m. I would place no restriction whatever on adult male labourers as regards the hours of work, even to the granting of four days of rest in the month. I do not think it will be possible to work mills with [illegible] adults only, to the exclusion of women and children. In a mill like the Empress, which is a spinning mill only, having [illegible], it will be possible to work to the exclusion of women and children. Agents, as a rule, have a personal interest in the mills. The half-hour granted for food is not used [illegible]. The rest they take varies from [illegible] to half an hour. The work-people [illegible] during the working hours. [illegible] the morning meal they take [illegible] hour. They are allowed every [illegible]. Some people take from three [illegible]. There is no restriction placed [illegible] the time for taking their meals; [illegible]ason why we employ such a large [illegible]ds in comparison with English mills. [illegible]re at their meals, there are a sufficient [illegible] other hands to keep the mills working. [illegible]markable difference in the labour of an [illegible] mill and that of a day mill. The discipline in an English mill is so severe that, if a man [illegible] work, he would probably be dismissed; [illegible]t is not so, as the machine is kept [illegible] other hands. The spells of work in [illegible]re limited, and between these spells [illegible]ops. In Bombay we have no restric- [illegible] our hours extend from sunrise to sunset, [illegible] interval at midday. During this period [illegible]eratives are also well left at liberty to go out, to [illegible] their meals, to smoke, &c.

Mr. Murahan.—If the hours of rest were definitively prescribed, do you think they would be preferred by the operatives?

Mr. Wadia.—Yes, they would meet the views of the operatives, and they would prefer it.

To Mr. Cotton.—I think there would be a difficulty at present in getting them to eat their meals at prescribed hours; but in time it would be got over. We have prescribed hours in the Government Gun Works at Mahim, where we employ some 400 people. We give two rests during the day. In a Bombay mill there are a variety of castes, and they regulate their meal hours at present according to their caste customs. I don't think it would interfere with caste prejudices to restrict the people to prescribed hours for meals. If the Legislature fixed hours for meals, I would prevent the people from taking their meals during working hours. About eight to ten per cent. of the work-people take their meals, rest, or smoke during working hours. There are no penal consequences attached to hands working in our mills in case they are absent. We do not fine them two days for one day's absence. The attendance on a day after a holiday is scarcely worse than on other days. As the work-people are not sufficiently cultivated, and as their morals are naturally low, the consequence of stopping the mills every Sunday would be very unhappy.

Mr. Sorabjee.—In what way do you mean?

Mr. Wadia.—They would be drinking and sinning in other ways.

Mr. Sorabjee remarked that the women were married women, and that the insinuation against them was undeserved.

Mr. Wadia.—I would let my answer remain as it is. I don't know of any mills, at any one time stopping on Sundays, being obliged to resume work on that day because the hands complained that their neighbours were earning more at mills which were working on those days. The operative class in England is more settled to certain localities than is the case here. I cannot give the average number of years mill operatives work in mills in England and in India. The operatives, as a class, would at first object to a reduction of wages resulting from reduced working hours, but they would afterwards see the advantage. Complaints are made by the operatives during the winter of the smaller wages earned, owing to the shorter time worked. Supposing the mills were by law forced to stop on any special day, say Sunday, the mill-hands would regard such legislation as a hardship. There are in India many personal holidays for marriages, deaths, and anniversaries of deaths. The total mill-hands employed in my mill are 5,631, and the daily attendance is 5,526. The inference would be that every individual in my mill gets seventy-seven holidays in the year, while I have proposed that they should have only fifty-two stopping days.

Mr. Cotton.—The employers of labour in Bombay are not so bad as they are represented. In the largest establishment it appears they give seventy-seven days' rest, whereas Mr. Meade King and others have been contending for fifty-two days only.

Mr. Wadia continued.—It would appear that they get twenty-five days more than I would legislate for. The daily average of absentees in my mill is 10 per cent., which is 12 per cent. to the number of men employed by us. Leaving the jobbers and mechanics on one side, about 50 per cent. of the men have worked 300 days and upwards in the year in our mills; and women 25 per cent. We don't employ children. As to rest, I would give 20 minutes between 8 and 9 a.m., and the remaining time, 40 minutes, between noon and 1 p.m. daily. In most of the well-regulated mills since the passing of the Factory Act, no children are employed, because it materially interferes with the working of the mills; and thus the Act prevents the employment of children, who, by being employed in the mills, would be better off and better fed than they now are. There is a disposition among may millowners to close their mills on Sundays.

Mr. Sorabjee.—Why don't they do it?

Mr. Wadia.—Because they cannot unanimously agree to do so. Children under seven years may be employed for a short time daily in a mill, provided effective arrangements could be made for their education. If children are not employed in mills, their parents could certainly get them employed elsewhere, in carrying baskets, &c., which is more laborious than mill labour.

Mr. Sorabjee.—Are not children employed in mills, whipped out of their beds during the winter in time to attend the mills?

Mr. Wadia.—I don't know of any such cases. I know that, during the winter, women and children prefer to go to the mills early rather than stay in their unhappy homes. Children in this country are much more advanced than children of the same age in England. In my opinion, mill-labour does not affect the physique of mill-hands; on the contrary, those who attend regularly and have been employed a long time, improve in their physique. Mill-hands in our mills are in good health, and compare very well with other operatives. The percentage of hands absent on account of sickness is from 1½ to 2 per cent. I do not think that young persons of twelve years are too young to work full time. I would not employ children under nine years to work full time. To avoid the irregularities with regard to the employment of children, I would suggest that parents should be made liable and punishable. The difficulty about the employment of two different sets of children might be met by adopting an Educational Act, similar to the English Act, to assist the working of the Factory Act.

Mr. Cotton remarked that, in his opinion, it would be impossible at present to introduce an Educational Act in this country.

Mr. Wadia continued.—Accidents certainly occur in our mills, but they are very uncommon, considering the number of persons employed. I cannot suggest any improvement in the present form of reporting accidents. Makers of machinery protect their machines so as to comply with the English Factory Act. No women in our mills are allowed to clean the machinery while in motion. To the best of my belief, other mill-owners also prevent it. In India women are not allowed near machinery turned by power, as in England the majority of the factory operatives are women. I do not think it is necessary to debar young persons and women from cleaning mill-gearing and machinery in motion. All dangerous machines have been sufficiently protected since the passing of the present Factory Act. I do not think any addition or modification is necessary in that respect. Persons employed in mills as a rule earn more wages than the same class of people employed on public works; and the work is lighter and more congenial to their habits and physique. They prefer employment in a mill. I know of no cases of hustling children out of the mills. The present Act gives sufficient power for the punishment of persons obstructing an inspector in the execution of his duty. I would not extend the power. Parents should, I think, be held responsible for the illegal employment of children.

The Commission then adjourned until 2 o'clock to-day.

THE AFGHAN BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

THE special correspondent of the *Pioneer*, telegraphing from Nushki, on the 22nd inst., says :—The route *vid* Kani and Galichah has now been decisively adopted, and *vid* Chagi being abandoned. Under Mr. Barnes's supervision about five hundred wells and tanks have been dug or cleaned at the twelve stages between Nushki and Galichah, also one day's supplies for the whole mission collected at each stage, and a reserve of one day's supplies at Band, Arbu, and Galichah, and half that quantity at other stages. The Amir's officers have been requested to lay on the supplies from Shah Ismail to Galichah. Three hundred riding camels, eighty camels with puckals, and one hundred bhisties' musuks are collected here.

Colonel Ridgeway started yesterday for Quetta to settle by telegram certain important questions with the Foreign Office prior to the final departure from Nushki. He returns on the 25th. Captains Maitland and Peacocke, Mr. Merk, and Rai Bahadur Hitu Ram are supervising the completion of the arrangments for the provision of a water-supply between Nushki and Galichah. The mission is marching in three relays from Simugan, the last relay arriving on the 27th.

It is proposed that the mission should move from here to the Helmund in four relays. First, cavalry; second, infantry with medical and other establishments; third and fourth, the heavy baggage with escort. From Shah Ismail the cavalry will, if necessary, march *vid* Arbu to Landi, and thence down the Helmund to Khwaja Ali, the Amir's officers placing supplies at Landi. The infantry and the heavy baggage move straight *vid* Galichah to Khwaja Ali. Eight days' rations to trade, and bringing them to the notice of Government, for such remedial measures as may be practicable.

BANGALORE BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

ON Tuesday, Mr. Gordon, who appeared for the plaintiff, addressed the court and said that there were six issues framed in this case, the first of which was whether there was a breach of promise. With regard to this, he produced letters, which showed patently the defendant's demeanour towards the plaintiff from the time he first made her acquaintance. The letters read in court from either defendant or plaintiff showed that the defendant at the bandstand, that the defendant there, made her an offer of marriage, that subsequently she informed her parents of the same and obtained their tacit consent, which she communicated to the defendant, and that he then endeavoured to obtain some information regarding the policy of Her Majesty's Government on the subject, and I asked some leading questions on the subject, but was met with the usual stereotyped reply of Her Majesty's present advisers—that they could say nothing, as negotiations were still going on. All Mr. Gladstone did vouchsafe to say was that the matter was of "grave importance." From the public press now being in the possession of Mrs. Sherwood had offered to make a suitable match for Miss Lucy, it was a matter of taste and judgment. Then there was the letter written by the defendant to Miss Emily on Christmas eve, abounding in protestations of love, and could that be the language of a man who did not intend to marry her? Invariably all the letters written by the defendant to the plaintiff disclosed a pure, warm, genial and holy affection, and not the lustful wishes of a *roue*. He had only put in these paltry excuses, the case of an action being filed against him. He wrote to the father in one strain and to Miss Milly in another. Was that the conduct of an officer and a gentleman? In his letters he had referred to his being indebted, and was that the language of a *roué*? No, certainly not. It was the language of one who was writing to a person whose antecedents he was acquainted with, it was the language of a man towards his affianced, whose little indiscretions he knew. The defendant had asked Miss Milly to marry him privately, had directed her not to use the "parcel" from Madras, and not to allow her mother to try any experiments on her. He further stated that he would put her right before the world after the Camp at Exercise, and speaking about Mr. French he characterized him as a "coward and a cad." The only conclusion that he (Mr. Gordon) arrived at was that this was the language of a man who was engaged to her and about to be married to her. The learned Advocate read over a number of the letters put in as exhibits, and stated that he depended on this correspondence for the first issue. He then read Chitty on Contracts (6th edition, page 508, referring to mutual assurances on either side. The learned Advocate then proceeded to the second issue, whether the defendant had seduced the plaintiff, and said that this issue, together with the third, was admitted. The reference to the photograph in tights was a suggestion from the defendant. Subject to what the learned counsel for the defence would say, he would reserve further arguments on this point.

Mr. Powell, in addressing the court for the defence, said that the case before the court was one for breach of promise, and it was necessary in the first instance to establish the fact that there was a promise of marriage. The learned Advocate for the plaintiff might have relied upon the general conduct of the plaintiff and the defendant which might have been vague, or might have relied upon a specific date or a specific promise. It appeared to him that they relied on the latter. The plaintiff alleged that the promise of marriage was made in January, 1883, and evidence was brought forward to support this assertion. The plaintiff had stated that after a month after the acquaintance with the defendant, he had made a distinct, unmistakable promise—an offer of marriage, which was accepted by the plaintiff with the tacit consent of her parents who stated that the fit time for the marriage would be in December. Miss Milly Sherwood therefore could not, at this period, have been quite such a chicken as she would have the court to believe. Now with regard to the evidence, the father, Captain Sherwood, had stated that the time for the marriage had been fixed; but the mother, Mrs. Sherwood, had distinctly stated, after repeated questions by her on the subject, that no time had been fixed. The father, the daughter, Miss Milly and the plaint filed in court stated that the time fixed was December. Was it likely, then, that the defendant would engage himself to a girl whose parents he had not seen, and of whom he knew nothing? The defendant had given his evidence in a straightforward manner, whereas Captain Sherwood, in the box, presented a pitiable sight. He strove to do every thing in his power to evade answering questions put to him. As to the plaintiff the less said about her evidence the better. She stood self-convicted of having committed perjury in the most wilful form in which it could be committed. She denied her own statements. All that the defendant knew was that Miss Milly Sherwood used to walk with men in the Cantonment who used to take liberties with her, and was it likely, was it probable, that he would go straight and propose for her? To harbour such an idea would be ridiculous in the extreme. How did the defendant make the acquaintance of the plaintiff? There was evidence that when the bandy broke down, Miss Lucy had spoken to the defendant, and an attempt had been made to produce evidence to show that on this particular occasion Miss Lucy did not speak to the defendant, and that Mrs. Sherwood who spoke to him, and it was only to give an air of respectability that it was stated that Miss Lucy had spoken to the defendant on that occasion. The fact was that Miss Milly was introduced to the defendant by Miss Lucy near the Mysore Hall, as was stated by the plaintiff herself. Then they had to consider how the father could have given his consent to the marriage with a person of whom he knew nothing, and who was for six months afterwards he took no steps to be acquainted. If the marriage was to come off in December, it is strange that there should be a total silence on the part of the father and mother of the plaintiff to name to the "happy day," as desired by Mr. King. If the letter of Mr. King was serious, the plaintiff's answer to it was more extraordinary still. The plaintiff, in her letter asks, "What happy day do you mean?" and when asked by cross-examination as to helping expression, she stated that she wrote it in fun. The learned Counsel submitted that Mr. King had also written in fun when he asked her to name the "happy day." The ring was not produced in court and could it for one moment be imagined that if the defendant was really engaged to the plaintiff, he would have sent her a paltry brass ring? The conclusion was that he was only chaffing her. The plaintiff's counsel had cross-examined the father, defendant, and she replied to them in the same spirit. The learned Counsel submitted that there was not an *iota*—not a tittle of evidence to subsequent documentary evidence to support the theory of the promise of marriage. It was ample to contradict it. He called the attention of the court to the explanation given by the plaintiff to the expression "am I engaged to you?"—which was inconsistent with what she wrote in her letter to the defendant. There was no such thing as a promise of marriage. The plaintiff did not want to be bound to any particular person, she wanted to be free—act just as she liked, but finding herself in that situation, she asked the defendant to marry her. Her evidence was not worthy of belief. As to Captain Sherwood telling the court that his daughters had his general consent to go out, it was simply to give an air of respectability—to give a gloss to the tender.

The learned counsel then referred to the letter written by Captain Sherwood to the defendant, six months after the promise of marriage and the engagement transaction. In this letter the father made no reference to the engagement, but had stated in Court that the engagement was implied. With all that he now, in the letter referred to, asked Mr. King what his intentions were. If there was an engagement, why was it not stated? It would have been written. If an engagement existed at all, the proper course for the father to adopt would be to have written to the defendant in a strain implying the engagement. The conclusion was that the father got some notion from the mother who made herself a convenient accessory to her daughter's goings on with different men, and wrote to the defendant. He regretted having made any case with them; but it is done, and we cannot get out of it, and it is only a very small thing we ask of you—your retiring from that part in the north and paying a little money as indemnity to France."

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"Then there was a long explanation as to what should be done, the conclusion of which was that they should not go up to Antananarivo at present, but simply give guns to the Sakalava, send officers to teach them, and blockade the ports, so that no commerce could be carried on, build batteries on the north-west coast, and bring Mozambiques and Chinamen to work the ground; and the power of France would gradually extend, and they would very easily get this land of Madagascar.

"And now Galiber has gone, and his successor, Admiral Miot, has come to Tamatave, and immediately he opens his mouth, he exposes their lies, and shows plainly what France wants. He met with Rainandriamampandry, the commander of the forces, and his companions, and it was plainly seen that France was lost to all sense of shame, and did not blush to tell what she wanted. 'This land,' said Admiral Miot, speaking of our fatherland, 'has belonged to us for hundreds of years, we have simply permitted you to settle in it, and made treaties with you, while our nation was encumbered with foreign wars and the administration of our own land; but all that is now finished, and we have come to take possession of our land.'

'You are not Malagasy, but Hova, and your Queen is not Sovereign of Madagascar, but only Queen of Imerina, the central province of Madagascar; but,' said he, 'we do not wish to be hard upon you, and if you will only agree to the following five propositions then I will open negotiations again with you, and when they are finished and you show yourselves sensible, then we two—the French and the Malagasy—will rule this kingdom and work together to advance civilisation and commerce.' The following are the five propositions to which we must both agree before negotiations are opened :—(1.) To give to France all the northern part of Madagascar, from Mojanga on the west coast, across the island, to Marimbitsy on the east coast (all the north of the 17th parallel of south latitude). (2.) To pay 120,000*l.* to the French. (3.) To indemnify all losses incurred by Europeans in Madagascar during the war. (4.) The French to be permitted to lease land and for as long as they like. (5) The Treaty to be altered, and Ranavalona III. to be called the Queen of Imerina.

"'If you do not agree to these mild terms, says Admiral Miot, 'then the war must go on. Wherever you have soldiers we will seize those places. We shall break up your camp at Manjakandianombans. We shall land at Mojanga, and from that to go to Antananarivo, and we shall dye all the way up with the blood of your soldiers. We will simply permit the name Hova to remain on the map of Madagascar, and if you are obstinate we shall annihilate the whole of you and take the entire island.' Admiral Miots statement is short; but it is a complete exposure of their lies. It is not for the poor Sakalava—their 'faithful allies'—that they are fighting with us, and they will not be blamed by the European nations, it seems, for driving us from the north of the island; but this is a good land, and the French want it for themselves, and as we are weak and they are storong they are not ashamed to steal it.

"There is no longer any reason for doubt now, for we are face to face with war. If blustering could kill we should have been destroyed long ago. When Amorontsanga was destroyed, the French said, 'The power of the Hova has vanished like smoke; but that fable has been exposed, for the kingdom is ten times stronger to-day than it was then. They said on the 13th of January, 'By eight o'clock to-morrow morning the flag of France will be flying over the camp at Manjakandrianombana.' And now Admiral Miot has opened his mouth, and we are to be completely consumed by him! But the men of Madagascar have not all been annihilated yet, and there is still a God on whom the feeble folk can lean; and we make bold to say, that when this time next year comes round again, it will be found that this kingdom has not been swept away by the French.

"Antananarivo, Madagascar, June 17, 1884."

REMINISCENCES OF MARSHAL NEY.

THE following letter appears in the *Times* :—May I ask for a little space in the *Times* while I give the substance of more than one conversation which I had with our great Duke on the subject of Marshal Ney's death and the relations in which at the period of its occurrence he himself stood towards the French Government and people?

For a short time after his entrance into Paris it might have been thought that the Duke was in the highest possible favour with all classes of Frenchmen. He had stopped Blucher from blowing up the Bridge of Jena and throwing down the Austerlitz Column, and by sheer force of will he averted that dismemberment of France on which the Allies were at that time bent, and which had since taken place. But these friendly acts on his part were all forgotten as soon as he refused to prevent the Allies from reclaiming the works of art of which Napoleon had robbed them, and which were accumulated in the Louvre. From that hour all the humiliations imposed upon France were attributed to him, and every opportunity was taken by the Court and the Marshals to slight, if not to insult him. The King alone had too much tact to make a public display of ill-feeling, but the Duke knew perfectly well from other sources there was no great love for him in that quarter. The Duke, however, always master of himself, continued as heretofore to attend the King's *levees*, during one of which that incident occurred to which Colonel Hozier refers. The Marshals, as one by one he approached them, turned their backs on him, a proceeding for which the King, at once a shrewd politician and a gentleman, hastened to apologise. "Don't distress yourself, Sire," said the Duke's quiet reply; "this is not the first time they have shown me their backs."

I should make too large a demand upon your patience and that of your readers were I to detail Marshal Ney's case at length. I must content myself, therefore, by stating that had Ney remained quietly in Paris after the allies entered it, he might have claimed protection from the 12th article of the Convention, under which the place submitted. But he had no confidence in that document, and fled. By-and-by followed the Royal proclamation of amnesty to all who had taken part in the late rebellion, with the exception of two persons—Colonel Labedoyere and Marshal Ney. How Labedoyere was taken and how he escaped need not here be told; but as to Ney, he seemed to labour under some mental hallucination. He had actually reached the frontier of Switzerland, when he turned back and took up his residence in his own house in the Chaussée d'Antin. That the Government did not really desire to put him to death is proved by two facts. When he made up his mind to escape from Paris, Fouche, the head of the police, furnished him with money for his journey, and some months elapsed after his foolish return to his own house before orders were issued to arrest him.

It is a curious fact that neither on the issue of the proclamation of outlawry nor even after his arrest in the country was any appeal made to the Duke to impress from 2nd Lieutenant——'s pay to make good the value of one camel, the property of Government, which that officer had destroyed." Bearing this, then, in mind, no one would lift a finger against the "white female donkey" (as it was officially described), and, as an impecunious subaltern, I myself could not afford to act as commonsense and humanity prompted. I could not depart from the regulation on the subject—to report to higher authority in writing. So I wrote out a statement of facts, and sent it in to the Adjutant. By the rule of the service he laid it before the Colonel, who initialled the paper and returned it. Then it was forwarded to the Brigade Major, who submitted it to the General in command, by whom it was initialled and returned. The Brigade Major next passed it on to the Brigade Transport Officer, who, after noting it, sent it back. Finally, late in the afternoon my paper had worked its way to me again, with a notification appended that, as it was after 12, noon, no Court of Inquiry could assemble that day, and as the next day was Thursday—a weekly holiday in our army in India, instituted by Lord Napier—the Court could not sit until eight o'clock on Friday morning. I must, therefore, it added, make the best provision I could in the way of a litter and food for the poor beast, meanwhile. I did the best I could for it in the way of straw and hay, and it continued to exist until the committee—consisting of three officers—saw it on the Friday morning, when it was at once ordered to be shot.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 29th September, 1884.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·717
Temperature of the Air	75·6
Wet Bulb Thermometer	75·9
Dew Point	74·7
Relative humidity of Air	970
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded—9)	8·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 6 p.m.)	78·2
Minimum do. do. (read at 10 a.m.)	74·6
General Direction of Wind	SW, WSW, NSE, WNW, W, NNE, WSW, W.
Movement of wind in 24 hours*	343
Fall of Rain	4·79
Total fall during the month	16·62
" " year	71·26
Additional fall of rain up to 10 a.m. of the 27th	0·03

*From midnight to midnight.

BENGAL.

FIBRE EXTRACTING EXPERIMENTS.—We learn that the site selected for the competition in the extraction of fibres for the Government prize is on the ground immediately south of St. Paul's Cathedral near Briji Talao, where the necessary shed will be erected. Supplies of jute, sunn, hemp, aloe, plantain and other fibrous plants will be supplied gratis to competitors, as will also motive power for their machines if required. Competitors are to send their machines or instal their processes on the ground by the 12th of October. Private trials will be allowed on the 13th, and the public competition will take place on the 15th and five succeeding days.—*Englishman.*

MADRAS.

THE MADRAS RAILWAY.—The Consulting Engineer for Railways, having sumitted an inspection report of the Madras Railway for the half-year ended 30th June last, the Governor in Council observes that he has received with satisfaction the testimony borne by the above note to the care and efficiency which mark generally the management and maintenance of the Madras Railway. His Excellency learns with satisfaction that some effort is being made to put an end to the unnecessary delays at stations, for which the mail train service between Shah Ismail to Galichah. Three hundred riding camels, eighty camels with puckals, and one hundred bhisties' musuks are collected here.

Colonel Ridgeway started yesterday for Quetta to settle by telegram certain important questions with the Foreign Office prior to the final departure from Nushki. He returns on the 25th. Captains Maitland and Peacocke, Mr. Merk, and Rai Bahadur Hitu Ram are supervising the completion of the arrangments for the provision of a water-supply between Nushki and Galichah. The mission is marching in three relays from Simugan, the last relay arriving on the 27th.

It is proposed that the mission should move from here to the Helmund in four relays. First, cavalry; second, infantry with medical and other establishments; third and fourth, the heavy baggage with escort. From Shah Ismail the cavalry will, if necessary, march *vid* Arbu to Landi, and thence down the Helmund to Khwaja Ali, the Amir's officers placing supplies at Landi. The infantry and the heavy baggage move straight *vid* Galichah to Khwaja Ali. Eight days' rations to trade, and bringing them to the notice of Government, for such remedial measures as may be practicable.

BANGALORE BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

ON Tuesday, Mr. Gordon, who appeared for the plaintiff, addressed the court and said that there were six issues framed in this case, the first of which was whether there was a breach of promise. With regard to this, he produced letters, which showed patently the defendant's demeanour towards the plaintiff from the time he first made her acquaintance. The letters read in court from either defendant or plaintiff showed that the defendant at the bandstand, that the defendant there, made her an offer of marriage, that subsequently she informed her parents of the same and obtained their tacit consent, which she communicated to the defendant, and that he then endeavoured to obtain some information regarding the policy of Her Majesty's Government on the subject, and I asked some leading questions on the subject, but was met with the usual stereotyped reply of Her Majesty's present advisers—that they could say nothing, as negotiations were still going on. All Mr. Gladstone did vouchsafe to say was that the matter was of "grave importance." From the public press now being in the possession of Mrs. Sherwood had offered to make a suitable match for Miss Lucy, it was a matter of taste and judgment. Then there was the letter written by the defendant to Miss Emily on Christmas eve, abounding in protestations of love, and could that be the language of a man who did not intend to marry her? Invariably all the letters written by the defendant to the plaintiff disclosed a pure, warm, genial and holy affection, and not the lustful wishes of a *roue*. He had only put in these paltry excuses, the case of an action being filed against him. He wrote to the father in one strain and to Miss Milly in another. Was that the conduct of an officer and a gentleman? In his letters he had referred to his being indebted, and was that the language of a *roué*? No, certainly not. It was the language of one who was writing to a person whose antecedents he was acquainted with, it was the language of a man towards his affianced, whose little indiscretions he knew. The defendant had asked Miss Milly to marry him privately, had directed her not to use the "parcel" from Madras, and not to allow her mother to try any experiments on her. He further stated that he would put her right before the world after the Camp at Exercise, and speaking about Mr. French he characterized him as a "coward and a cad." The only conclusion that he (Mr. Gordon) arrived at was that this was the language of a man who was engaged to her and about to be married to her. The learned Advocate read over a number of the letters put in as exhibits, and stated that he depended on this correspondence for the first issue. He then read Chitty on Contracts (6th edition, page 508, referring to mutual assurances on either side. The learned Advocate then proceeded to the second issue, whether the defendant had seduced the plaintiff, and said that this issue, together with the third, was admitted. The reference to the photograph in tights was a suggestion from the defendant. Subject to what the learned counsel for the defence would say, he would reserve further arguments on this point.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 27.

THE London money market continues to harden, Reuter giving the rates of discount now at 1½ per cent. on three months, but 2 per cent. on four months' bills. These, however, are not figures to exercise an adverse effect on trade, and Consols and Rupee Paper are ½ higher, the former at 101¼, 4 per cents at 80½, 4½ per cents at 83½. French Rentes, on the other hand, are ¼ lower at 108².

The Produce markets all tend downwards. Linseed is said to be quiet but steady, but Bombay quality on the spot is 3d. per quarter lower. Rapeseed is 3d. to 6d. lower. Wheat in Liverpool is 1d. in No. 1, and 2d. per cental in No. 2 Soft White lower to arrive. London quotations are the same. Coffee is unaltered, Mid-Plantation Ceylon 63s. per cwt. Cocoanut-oil is quoted 10s. per ton higher.

The Liverpool Cotton market yesterday was dull with a decline of 1-16d. per lb. in Mid-Uplands, Good Broach, and Good Fair Dhollera; and to-day's report is irregular, with Mid-Uplands again 1-16d. lower—the sales for the two days being 8,000 and 7,000 bales respectively. To arrive Americans yesterday were 1-32d. to 3-64d. lower, and to-day they are again 1-32d. down. In New York yesterday ready Mid-Uplands were unchanged, futures 4 points lower; to-day both ready Cotton and futures are lower, the former 1-16d. cent., the latter 8 points.

We subjoin our usual comparison of the weekly figures. The visible supply having reached the lowest point of the year, has this week increased by 40,000 bales, but are still 185,000 bales below last year. The figures for the U. K., however, are now only 75,000 bales behind last year, owing to the limited quantity of cotton which the Continent is taking, and it is to this feature, we believe, the present decline in prices is mainly owing. Trade in England is certainly not good, but were the Continent taking in the same proportion as Lancashire spinners, prices would be advancing now instead of declining.

The American Crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons:—

	1884.	1883.	1882.
Week's receipts	128,000	125,000	136,000
" Exports to U. K.	36,000	12,000	32,000
" " Continent	4,000	27,000	14,000
Total receipts since 1st Sept.	256,000	317,000	295,900
" Exports to U. K. "	76,000	55,000	91,400
" " Cont. "	12,000	62,000	31,200
" Stock in the Ports	229,000	341,000	217,000
Saturday's Receipts	22,000	22,000	28,000

The total visible supply of cotton for all Europe on the 26th inst. affords the following comparisons with the two previous years:—

	1884.	1883.	1882.
Total supply of all kinds	1,440,000	1,625,630	1,298,890
" " Surats	538,000	433,550	650,790

For the U. K. only the figures are:—

Stock in Liverpool	588,000	675,030	480,770
" London	68,000	48,000	77,720
American afloat	30,000	23,000	44,000
East Indian "	33,000	48,000	128,000
	719,000	794,030	730,490
Price of Mid-Uplands	5 13-16d.	5⅞ d.	6¼d.
" Good Fair Dhollera	4¼d.	4 3-16d.	5d.
Difference	1 9-16d.	1 9-16d.	1¼d.

The Cotton market here to-day has been decidedly weak, and prices are Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per candy lower on the spot, and Rs. 2 down for New Crops future delivery. The only business reported is some Julgaum at Rs. 168 to Rs. 170, and Good Omras at Rs. 186.

The finer weather somewhat allays the fears of damage to the growing crops, and Broach, which had been run up to Rs. 216, is back again to Rs. 214.

WHEAT and SEEDS are almost nominal. Supplies are limited by the interruption in railway communication, but the home demand is practically non-existent.

FREIGHTS are in no way altered. Several steamers are leaving in ballast for Calcutta and Kurrachee, but the supply of tonnage is still in excess of our requirements.

IMPORTS.—Piece-goods are quiet, but if through railway communication is restored we shall probably see more doing after the holidays. Coals continue firm in the absence of sellers, but consumers are not eager buyers.

EXCHANGE.—Bar Silver in London, according to private telegrams, has recovered the previous decline of 1-16d. and is again quoted at 50⅞d. per oz. With Calcutta closed, however, and the influences here rather against than in favour of higher rates, our market is only just steady at previous quotations, say:—

Bank Bills on demand	Is. 7½ to 17-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	Is. 7 15-32d.	"
Do. Three months' sight	Is. 7 21-32d.	"
Credits do. do.	Is. 7 23-32d.	"
Francs do. do.	207½	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been firm again, and Fours are quoted at Rs. 99 5-16, Fours-and-a-half at Rs. 102⅝ to 6½.

SHARES.—Spinning and WeavingMills are steady, but not generally dearer. Connaught are up to Rs. 150, James Greaves to Rs. 445. Sholapore have recovered to Rs. 1,410, Mahalakshmi to Rs. 830.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash Rate
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	14 p.ct.	755
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	1 do.	850
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	630
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	all	6 do.	118
Hong. and Shang. B. Corporation	60,000	£125	all	17½ do.	£50
National Bank of India	37,320	£ 250	12½	5 do.	99

LAND COMPANIES.

Colaba Land & Mill Co.	4,000	700	700	Rs.	30	735 xd
Port Canning Co.	6,000	1,000	1,000		14	320 xd

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G.I.P. Railway Consolidated Stock	..	£20	218-3	5	p.ct.	350
Do. New £20 shares	..	£20	130-14-6		do.	585
Ditto	..	£20	65-7-3		do.	
Ditto	..	£20	21-13-1		do.	
B. B. & C. I. Ry. Co.	..	£100	1,000		do.	617
Do. New Shares	£1	£18	6-5-0		do.	5⅞

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	150	5,000	2,850	Rs.	125	900
Akola Press Co.	85	500	all	Rs.	50	450
Albert Printing Co.	100	500	all	18	p.ct.	425
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	200	2,000	1,100	Rs.	100	1,180
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	755	400	400	Rs.	30	335
Bellary	620	1,000	1,000	Rs.	20	550
Berar Cotton Ginning and Press Co.	600	500	all	Rs.	65	600
Broach Cotton Ginning and Press Co.	1,400	200	all	..		42
Bombay Cotton Press.	200	500	500	..		1,175
Colaba Press Co.	50	1,880	1,880		50	1,500
Dhollera P. & G. Co.	500	300	all		12	170
East India Press Co.	700	1,000	1,000	Rs.	150	1,250
Fr. Press Co.	150	325	8,340		400	2,725 xd
French Press Co.	300	500	all	45	p.a.	550 xd
Harvey & Sabapathy Co., Ld.	450	500	500	..		325
Khamgaum Cotton Press Co.	240	500	all	10	p. ct	500
Manmar Manfg. Co.	600	250	250	Rs.	40	350 xd
Mercantile Press	7000	125	125	Rs.	27½	140
Mofussil Co.	3,125	400	400	Rs.	45	422½
New Indian Press	2,400	125	125	Rs.	25	210
Prince of W. Press	500	.....	600		100	635
Sabapathy Press Co., Ld. (Bellary.)	500	500	500	—		575
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	750	Rs.	55	560
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	750	Rs.	150	1,275
Sassoon Press Co.	300	800	500		25	615
Volkart Press Co.	450	90			65	800

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock Ashdown & Co., Ld.	1,750	200	150	Rs.	4	180
Badham, Pile & Co. Ld.	3,000	100	100	Rs.	12	170
Bapu Co. Ld.	2,625	200	150	Rs.	10	200
Barton & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	90		100	105
The Bombay Land & Building Co., Ld.	300	500	500		100	100
Bombay Flour Mill Co.	500	600	300	..		325
Bombay Saw Mills	100	1,000	1,000	Rs.	35	475
Bombay Ice Manufacturing Co., Limited.	1183	100	100	Rs.	5½	101 xd 95 xd
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation.	1,000	2,500	1,550		375	4,675
Do. New Shares	..	500	300		...	975
Bombay Fire Insurance Co.	..	3,000	3,000		200	3,150
Bombay Municipal Bonds	..	..	..	6	p.ct.	104
Bombay Brick & Tile Co., Ld.	1,000	100	100		...	10 n
Cash Bazaar	1,000	100	100		..	95
Cooper, Madon & Co., Ld.	1,100 1,000	100 100	100 75			123
Indian Guarantee Suretyship Association	5,000	100	10	10	p.ct.	11
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Limited	42,000		5	..		34
Kurrachee Ice Co., Ld.	1,400	100	100	..		35
Kurrachee Lighterage Company, Ld.	500	500	200	36	p. s.	325
Kemp & Co. Ld.	2,000	200	175	Rs.	22½	325
Mechanics Building Co	4,000	50	50	3	p.ct.	23
Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company	5,000	200	50	5 & 7½	p.ct.	52
Oriental Loan Association	5,000	20	20	10	p.ct.	25
Pearse and Co., Ld.	1,000	100	50	Nil.		47
Prince of Wales Fire Insurance	250	1,000	1,000	Rs.	100	1,435
Soundy & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	all	8	p.ct.	104
Telephone Co., Ld.	19,200	25	25	Rs.	1-8	14
Treacher & Co., Ld.	2,000	500	all	Rs.	110	1,185
Thacker & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	all	Rs.	15	155
Western India Flour Mills	1,000	12	50	Rs.	12	75

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Friary, 1,505 tons, Captain T. R. Evans, sailed on the 27th instant for Kurrachee in ballast.

THE steamer Waverley, 2,022 tons, Captain R. Calvert, sailed on the 27th instant for Hull, with a general cargo.

THE A. H. Lloyd Co.'s steamer 1,775 tons, Captain G. Ragusin, sailed yesterday for China &c., with a general cargo, and six deck passengers.

THE Clan Line steamer Clan Maclean, 1,496 tons, Captain G. Mundle, sailed on the 27th instant for Perim and Bordeaux, with a general cargo.

THE Brig Wilhelmine, 270 tons, Captain F. Schobl, arrived in harbour on the 27th instant from Natal (22nd Aug.), with a general cargo and 29 deck passengers.

THE B. and P. S. N. Co.'s steamer Henry Balckow, 639 tons, Captain W. B. Hains, arrived in harbour on the 27th instant from Persian Gulf, with a general cargo and 58 deck passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Java, 943 tons, Captain D. Campbell, will sail to-day for Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—The Right Revd. Dr. L. Meurin D. D., and 62 deck.

ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessels.	Commander.	Destination.
27	Nowshera (s)	Sanders	Sea.
	Henry Balckow (s)	Hains	Bussorah, Sept. 12.
	Wilhelmine	Schahl	Natal, Aug. 22.
	Sumatra (s)	Clement	Hongkong, Sept. 4.
	Swordsman (s)	Hogelstein	Sea.
28	Inchmaree (s)	Major	Newport, Aug. 29.

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
27	Nowshera (s)	Sanders	Calcutta, &c.
	Friary (s)	Evans	Kurrachee.
	Clan Maclean (s)	Mundle	Bordeaux.
	Waverley (s)	Calvert	Hull.
28	Medusa (s)	Ragusin	China, &c.

The steamer Java, Campbell, to Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, obtained her port clearance on Saturday last.

The following vessels were entered for loading on Saturday last:—

Steamer Burmah, to Kattywar Coast and Kurrachee.
" Gwallior, to Trieste, &c.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 23 Mahratta (s) ..... Goope ..... Rangoon, Sept. 16.
Malda (s) ..... Brown ..... Singapore, Sept. 2.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 25 Bancoora (s) ..... Bombay.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 25 Cormorant (s) ..... London.

DAILY IMPORTS.—SEPTEMBER 27.

FROM LONDON.

Verona s—2 casks bronze wire, Benn Ashley and Co; 60 cases brandy, Peerosha Eduljee Suckidas.

Hydaspes s—12 cases soap, Hajee Dadda Aba; 4 cases paper, Mahomedbhoy Jamakhanee; 50 barrels beer and 55 cases port, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee; 100 cases whiskey, Sorabjee Cowasjee.

FROM GLASGOW.

Clan Maclean s—12 cases whiskey, Bodger Warberton and Co.

Victoria s—60 cases portwine, W. and A. Graham and Co; 8 cases whiskey, Rogers and Co; 23 cases whiskey, Muncherjee M. Moola Feroz.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Victoria s—3 packages carthenwares, Sallaymohomed Casum.

Clan Ogilvie s—20 barrels cylender oil, Alcock Ashdown and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Medusa s—1 case eau de cologne, Cooper Madon and Co.

FROM NEW YORK.

Victoria s—4 packages medicines, Cooper Madon and Co.

FROM MARSEILLES.

China s—23 cases brandy, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM ANTWERP.

Yeddo s—43 boxes window glass and 8 cases polished plate glass, Abdoolally Noorbhoy; 181 boxes window glass, Surufally Mamoojee; 53 packages glasware, E. P. Mahomed; 113 packages glassware, Soomar Bhima; 200 boxes candles, Richard Roberts and Co; 75 cases matches, A. Blaucheck and Co; 5 packages dry colors, Adumjee Jeewanjee; 50 cases matches Naboobhoy Mahomedally.

FROM HULL.

Yeddo s—250 barrels alum, Hurridas Goculdas; 25 drums linseed oil, 15 drums turpentine and 3 casks colors, T. M. Tazkhan.

DAILY EXPORTS.—SEPTEMBER 27.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Victoria s—104 bales cotton, Runchordas Laljee; 46 bales wool, Jaitha Purshotum; 400 bales wool, Nuthoo Lalljee; 1,600 cwts wheat, Veerjee Hunsraj; 1,957 cwts cotton seed, Mooljee Joevraj and Co; 39 bales hemp, Hormusjee Rustomjee; 55 bales cotton, N. Gordhundass; 510 bales wool, Goculdas Toolseedas; 165 bales wool, Nanjee Bhanjee; 110 bales goat hair and 18 bales wool, Kamall Gangjee and Co; 47 bales wool and 4 bales hemp rope, Luckmidas Cullianjee; 700 cwts wheat, Khimjee Luckmedas and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Henzada s—375 cwts linseed, Robertson Brothers.

Clan Ogilvie s—9 bales hides and skins, Pestonjee Eduljee; 20 cwts gram, Geo. Gahagan and Co; 75 cwts senna leaves and 1¼ cwts gutta Purcha, Hassanbhoy Dattoo.

FOR HAVRE.

Lady Armstrong s—100 bales cotton, Geo. Lockhart and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Peveril s—501 cwts myrabolams, M. Mondolfo and Co; 1,500 cwts poppy seed, 6,001¼ cwts rapeseed and 200 cwts wheat, A. Blaucheck and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Berenice s—200 bales cotton, John Marshall; 4 bales cotton, E. Spinner and Co; 220 bales cotton, Peel Cassels and Co.

Gwalior s—250 bales cotton, Lang Moir and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Berenice s—100 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.

Gwalior s—220 bales cotton, F. Sassoon and Co; 250 bales Lang, Moir and Co; 550 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co; 2,001 cwts linseed, Killick, Nixon and Co.

FOR GENOA.

R. Rubattino s—2,000 cwts wheat, Olcese and Co; 2,000 cwts wheat, Killick Nixon and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

R. Rubattino s—90 cwts gingelly seed and 25 cwts mowra seed, Ewart Latham and Co.

FOR CONSTANTINOPLE.

Berenice s—3 cases tea, Mario Darr.

FOR BEYROUTE.

Berenice s—7 bundles silk, Aga Syed Mirza.

FOR BOSTON.

Victoria s—38 bales silk, Furnham and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Medusa s—51 bales twist, Oomer Ahmed.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—SEPTEMBER 26.

Jopp, Lieut.-Col., Staff, on leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—SEPTEMBER 28.

Jopp, Lieut.-Col., Staff, from leave, to Poona.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Major M. R. WYER, Comdt., B. V. R. C.

Bombay, September 29, 1884.

There will be drill at the Town Hall on Wednesday next, the 1st proximo, at 9 p. m., sharp.

The range at Colaba being required by the East Yorkshire Regiment for Musketry purposes it is no longer available for practice by the Bombay Vol. Rifle Corps.

The Officer commanding East Yorkshire Regiment has been good enough to state that if any non-commissioned officers or men of the Bombay Vol. Rifle Corps require the use of the range on any particular afternoon he will probably be able to make arrangements for placing it at their disposal, members requiring the range for practice are therefore requested to give notice at head-quarters not later than 2 p. m. the day before they require it, so that application may be made in time to let them know whether the range is available or not.

By order,
A. H. ATKINSON, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

By H E THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adjutant General's Office,

Head Quarters, Poona, 26th Sept.

The C-in-C is pleased to make the following appointments:—

1st R N I—Lieut R Errington, S C, offig Wing officer, to be Wing officer

3rd R N L I.—Lieut C V Schneider, 2nd Battn West York Regt, a candidate for the Staff Corps, to officiate as Wing officer on probation, dated 24th Sept 1884.

14th R N I.—Lieut R J Gardiner, offig Wing officer 9th N I to officiate as Wing officer on probation.

Lieut C V Schneider, offig Wing officer 3rd N L I (on probation) is attached to the 28th N I pending the arrival of his regiment at Poona.

The undermentioned officers returned to duty by permission of the Secy of State for India on the 15th September, 1884:—

Major W Laing, General List, 2nd in Comd, 3rd R N L I

Captain W W B Whiteford, R E Exe Engr, Southern Mahratta Railway.

Lieut L S H Baker, S C, Sqn officer, 3rd Punjab Cavalry.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to England with the necessary subsidiary leave:—Royal Artillery.—Major F G Gyll, (Heavy) Battery 1st Bgde Cinque Ports Divn for nine months on medical certificate.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

WALLER—September 26, at Bombay, the wife of E. Waller, Royal Engineers, of a son.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

DURRELL—September 23, at Fatehgarh, the wife of Conductor Samuel Durrell, Ordnance Department, of a son.

GILBERT—September 12, at Ajmere the wife of C. F. Gilbert, Assistant Engineer, of a son.

DEATHS.

ADAM—September 21, at the Howrah Hospital, of Hepatic abscess, Neil W. Adam, Assistant Superintending Engineer, B.I.S.N. Coy. Ld., aged 28.

FORBES—September 15, at Jetinga Tea Factory, Cachar, Frederick A. Forbes, eldest son of the late Major R. Forbes, aged 27 years.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office should be made payable to the Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1884.

A REUTER'S telegram states that Lord Dufferin will leave England by the first mail in November, and that he will meet the Marquis of Ripon in Bombay. The first part of the telegram is correct. But we understand that the announcement that the new Viceroy will meet his successor in this city is inaccurate. We announced several days ago that Lord Dufferin would take over the Viceregal office from Lord Ripon at Calcutta, and no departure has been made from this arrangement. Lord Ripon will await the arrival of his successor at Calcutta, and will then come on to Bombay, and embark hence for England.

THE agitation for a reduction of the hours of labour which has set in amongst the Bombay mill-hands introduces a new and unanticipated feature into the question which is being inquired into by the Factory Act Commission. Until the meeting of operatives last week, at which not less than four thousand were present, it was generally assumed that they were at least indifferent to what might come of an inquiry which was instituted primarily in the interests of the children employed in the mills. Nay, more than this, it has been confidently affirmed by more than one of the mill managers who have given evidence before the Commission that the operatives were opposed to a reduction of the hours of labour, inasmuch as it would entail a reduction of wages. The movement which set in last week raises the question whether this is an accurate account of the prevalent feeling amongst the mill-hands. We have no reason to doubt the genuineness of the agitation. At least it is for those who question its reality to state the grounds for their scepticism. One way of testing it is to call some of the more representative amongst the operatives—if there are such—to give evidence before the Commission. The suggestion that the work-people should be represented upon the Commission is less easy to comply with. There may be more than one reason against it, but the fact that the inquiry has already been more than a month in progress, and that it would be exceedingly inconvenient to make an addition to the Commission at so late a stage of its labours, supplies a sufficient answer to the request. Still, there would be grave disadvantage in leaving it open to the operatives at the close of the inquiry to say that those who are most directly and most deeply interested in the proceedings had not been asked to state their own grievances in their own way. Whether rightly or wrongly we do not say, but it is a fact that the constitution and proceedings of the Commission of 1875 were severely criticised, and it is necessary that the present Commission should leave nothing undone to give a character of completeness and absolute impartiality to the inquiry.

No effort, in short, should be spared to place upon the record as full and accurate a representation as can be procured of the opinions, and needs, and desires of employers and employed alike in regard to the duration and the conditions of labour in factories. It matters not that the operatives appear to have a somewhat confused notion of what it is that the law can do for them. We question, for instance, whether either the Bombay Government or the Supreme Government would venture upon enacting a direct limitation of the hours of adult male labour. The Imperial Legislature has thus far shrunk from that, even in its most paternal moods, and we can scarcely expect that the initiative in so bold an economic advance will be taken in India. But it is not impossible that the same end, or something not far short of it, may be compassed by indirect means. For instance, a statutory limitation of the hours during which women and "young persons," to say nothing of children, shall be employed, might operate in that direction. So far as the work of men is dependent upon and associated with that of women and young persons, it might be exceedingly difficult to restrict the latter, without at the same time restricting the former. Whether or not there be a close causative relation between the two facts, it is not to be denied that in England the restriction of the hours of labour of young persons and women and children has been accompanied by a general reduction of working hours for men, and this without any direct legislative intervention in their behalf. This fact will no doubt be borne in mind in any recommendation that the Commission may make for restricting the working hours of women and young persons. In the case of children the effect would be much more limited. It is believed that there are not more than five hundred of them in the Bombay mills, and if it be the case, as has been stated before the Commission, that although they are at the mills for nine hours a day, they are actually at work only half the time, a further interference with them will have little effect upon the general régime of the mills. A question, indeed, which seems to us to invite more attention than has yet been given to it, is whether much the same thing could not be said of the adult labour employed in the Indian mills as of the child labour—whether, in a word, those who work long produce much. According to Mr. Jones's estimate, the hours of work in an Indian cotton mill average 86 in the week, as compared with 56 in an English mill. Various estimates of the relative efficiency of Indian and of English factory labour are given. Mr. Meade King, the Factory Inspector whose services were placed at the disposal of the Bombay Government by the home authorities two years ago, estimated the difference in favour of the English workman at as three to two. A native millowner in Bombay told Sir James Caird, "It takes 1,200 people here to do what 500 will do with you;" while Mr. Dunkerley, manager of the Empress Mill, has told the Commission that whereas in an English mill with 20,000 spindles, spinning twenties and using Surats, about 120 hands would be employed, in India 460 would be required. These estimates differ widely; but in all of them there stands out plainly the fact that the sum total of production is not even approximately in ratio with the time spent in labour. There is nothing of a revelation in this. Employers of labour in India must be as conscious of it as of any fact in the economy of their mills. It is at least an open question whether labour in this country would not be more efficient if it were less prolonged. The experiment is worth trying, and it is possible that the result would be no more disadvantageous to the employers than that of the experiment upon which some of them have ventured in closing their mills regularly for four days in the month.

This latter step, indeed, is one which managers and operatives alike favour. "Every manager," Mr. Jones tells the Commission, "bewails the want of a regular day's rest," and apparently every operative is equally anxious for it. A more debatable point—although it is one respecting which the operatives appear to have shown no concern—is that which relates to the protection of women and young persons. The Act in its present form makes scarcely any stipulation in regard to these. Children are the subjects of its peculiar care, and it so happens that the number of children employed in the cotton mills of this Presidency has sensibly diminished under its operation. Mr. Meade King's suggestion that there should be a statutory restriction to eleven hours of the hours of labour of women and young persons between the ages of 13 and 16 affects a much larger number of operatives than the proposals for amending the provisions relating to the employment of children, though these have thus far claimed the greater amount of attention. The question will have to be approached from the point of view of necessity as well as from that of expediency. Although there is much to be said against employing young girls and even adult women for fourteen hours a day, it will be better to take nothing for granted upon that point. A medical sub-commission has been appointed to assist the inquiry, and no good purpose will be served by rashly anticipating the result of their inquiries into the practical aspect of this part of the subject. So far as the expediency of a large alteration of the existing arrangements is concerned, we must bear in mind that the Supreme Government has plainly intimated that it is not disposed to favour further factory legislation for the whole of India. The majority of the witnesses before the Commission have given expression to a reluctance to recommend fresh legislation if Bombay alone is to be subjected to the proposed new restrictions. Nothing could be more reasonable than this view of the case. It is not enough to say that the cotton industry of Bombay has an undisputed supremacy over the other Presidency. That supremacy has been gained under a régime of equality; it might be lost under a régime of inequality, in which competitors in Bengal and Madras would enjoy the advantages of comparative freedom. The merits of such recommendations as the Commission may think fit to make will be largely dependent upon the possibility of their being embodied in a measure applicable to the whole of British India, and considering the attitude of the Supreme Government upon the question, this invests their task with peculiar difficulty.

THE heavy rain and disturbed weather, which last Monday we anticipated, has arrived during the course of the week. The cyclonic depression noticed from the 18th to the 21st to be forming in the Bay of Bengal passed inland on the 22nd, and advanced in a north-west direction. Its centre passed over the neighbourhood of Nagpore on the 23rd, and of Hoshangabad on the 24th; on the 25th it passed within a hundred miles to the east of Neemuch, and from this point it turned northwards, reaching Agra on the 26th. Its influence was still felt in the North-West Provinces on Saturday last. It was fortunate for Surat, and for Guzerat generally, that there was more north than usual in its path. In consequence of this feature, it crossed over the basins of the Nerbudda and Tapti rivers, instead of travelling along the length of them; and moreover was unable to come well within reach of the excessively damp winds which at the time were blowing inland over the west coast, and which, if they had been drawn into the cyclonic area, must inevitably have given rise to very excessive precipitation. There can be little doubt that if it had not been for this almost accidental feature of the disturbance, Surat would have been a second time this year the scene of heavy floods. As it happened, the actual rainfall caused by the disturbance was not very extraordinary. It was, however, sufficient to flood the rivers of Guzerat; and these floods, being increased by the heavy rain which during the past week has been general along the west coast, and especially to the north of Bombay, resulted in the damage to the railways which has been already made known. More serious than the damage to the railways, however, will be the injury which has been done to the standing crops, both cereal and cotton. Even as early as the 16th the crops in Ahmedabad, the Panch Mahals, Baroda, and parts of Kattywar were beginning to suffer from the excessive wet, and there can be no doubt that by this time the damage will be serious. On the other hand, however, the eastern and south-eastern districts will have been greatly benefited, and though their prospects will of course be below the average, they will have improved considerably in parts. If we may judge from the present moist state of the atmosphere, there seems good reason to hope these districts will have more than their usual share of rain in October and November; and to this extent therefore their rabi prospects may be regarded as hopeful. The rainfall in Bombay during the past week has been quite unusual, more than nine inches having fallen—an amount seldom experienced at this time of the year. The yearly average has already been exceeded by over two inches.

The monsoon is now approaching its end, and speculations are already to be heard as to when it will wind up. The breaking up of the monsoon is an occurrence as difficult of definition as is the commencement; and being generally regarded as of less importance, it has received less attention. All methods of determining its date must be arbitrary. Perhaps the simplest method is to reckon from the first day on which the barometric pressure at the northern stations exceeds that in the south. During the months November to April the barometer in the north of India reads higher than in the south; whereas during the months June to September the barometer in the south reads higher than in the north. Thus, for instance, in January, 1882, the average barometer reading at Kurrachee was 30·002 inches, whereas at Cochin it was only 29·946, or ·056 inch lower. But in July of that year the barometer at Kurrachee was only 29·458, whereas at Cochin it was 29·884 or ·426 inch higher. This difference between the barometric pressure of two stations is in ordinary meteorological language spoken of as "the gradient;" and thus it is said that during the cold weather months the gradient is from Kurrachee to Cochin, whereas during the monsoon months the gradient is from Cochin to Kurrachee. The reversal of the gradient is one of the marked features of the setting in and the breaking up of the monsoon. Last year this reversal first took place on the 10th October, though it was not permanent until the end of the month. This year the condition of the gradient to-day, the 29th September, is about the same as it was last year on the 18th September; and judging from this fact, we may expect that the reversal of the gradient will not set in permanently until some days later than last year. In other words, we may expect that the monsoon this year will break up later than usual.

WE have commented upon Sir Richard Garth's fierce onslaught on Mr. Mackenzie, the Home Secretary, and the Government of India generally, in regard to the Bengal Rent Bill. The learned Chief Justice, greatly to the admiration of certain of our contemporaries, poses as a martyr to the sacred principle of the independence of the Bench, insolently assailed by the myrmidons of a truculent Government. But the "bitter and scurrilous libel" which, Sir Richard Garth says, was aimed at him, but which he never had the curiosity to read, was a reply to a public attack made by himself on the good-faith of Mr. Mackenzie and of Mr. O'Kineilly in regard to certain opinions which they had expressed in respect of the necessity for legislative interference between the zemindar and the ryots. In a minute published just two years ago, Sir Richard Garth made a headlong and most unjudicial personal attack on Mr. O'Kineilly and the Home Secretary, affirming that those gentlemen were engaged "in thrusting a blind pretence down the throats of an intelligent people," and charging them with only pretending to believe what they said. This mild minute was duly sent to the press. Possibly if the Home Secretary and Mr. O'Kineilly were put upon their oaths as to their opinion of this document, thus given to the public, they would have said that they conscientiously believed it to be a most bitter and scurrilous libel. It was certainly a personal attack, and justified a personal reply. That reply, which was made at the time, is now brought up by Sir Richard Garth as evidence of a want of respect for the Bench entertained by the Government of India. As a matter of fact, it is a perfectly parliamentary reply to a not quite parliamentary attack. The attack was published, the "scurrilous libel" in reply to it has not been published yet. We would recommend those concerned to redress this inequality, and publish the reply, as the original minute which provoked it was published.

THEATRICALS AT DHARWAR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DHARWAR, SEPT. 27.

SINCE Monday, September 15, Dharwar has been *en fête*, and "the week" has been ushered in with a flood of sunshine. On Monday lawn-tennis was the centre of attraction during the day; but at night all the beautiful and brave of this most sociable little station collected in the ample building of the School of Industry to see the amateur theatricals. The stage had been erected with great taste, and the whole of the arrangements—in every detail of which the comfort of the audience was conspicuously studied—reflected the greatest credit upon the energetic stage-manager, Mr. Joyner. Before the two plays, the audience had ample time to admire the pretty new drop-scene painted for the occasion by Mr. Fletcher. Nothing but great care in rehearsal, and an earnest desire to make the most of each part, could have produced so perfect a performance as that to which we were treated. The ladies and gentlemen, one and all, who took part in the plays fully earned the repeated and hearty applause with which every telling point and situation was greeted. The first piece was "Perfection," and, as rendered by the Dharwar amateurs, must be admitted to have been very aptly named. Lady Thompson and Mr. Dunsterville played the principal parts with great vivacity, never overdoing their parts, but making each scene sparkle with wit and fun. They showed a keen appreciation of the delicate humour of the author, and met with able support from Mrs. Fletcher and her husband—the former making a distinct hit as "Susan," and giving all her points with brilliant effect. Sir Thomas Thompson's make-up was hardly correct, but he played his part with a cool assurance that carried the audience with him, and when the curtain fell amidst loud applause, each of the performers received a well-merited "call."

The farce "Done on both Sides" was not perhaps quite such a happy sel